UTILITY ATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No. 9D-HR-25022 First Inventor John K. Hooker Title

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See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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Applicant claims small entity status.

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- Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)

- Abstract of the Disclosure

- Detailed Description

- Claim(s)

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- Descriptive title of the invention

- Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D

or a computer program listing appendix

- Reference to sequence listing, a table,

Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6]

Declaration & Power of Attorney [Total Pages 2 For Inventor Identification Purposes Only]

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Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))

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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR

See 37 CFR 1.27.

Specification

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Computer Program (Appendix)

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11.		English Translation Document (if application)	able)
12.		Information Disclosure Statement	Copies of IDS Citations

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Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

(if foreign priority is claimed) Non Publication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122

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1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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